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MEXICAN LEADERS MEET WILSON'S ENVOYS

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ENVOYS HALE AND LIND CONFER WITH LEADERS OF BOTH MEXICAN FACTIONS

Former Consults Carranza and
Latter Huerta's Men Look-
ing to a Settlement.

FIGHTING AT TUXPAN.

Americans Escape From Town
as Federal Gunboats Open
Fire on Rebels.

NOGALES, Sonora, Mexico, Nov. 12.—William Bayard Hale, President Wilson's personal representative, went into conference here just before noon to-day with Gen. Venustiano Carranza and the entire Mexican Constitutional Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Conferees now being held between William Bayard Hale and Gen. Venustiano Carranza at Nogales, are interpreted in official circles here as the first open move by the United States Government to show its interest in the Constitutional movement in Mexico.

No officials commented to-day on Mr. Hale's exact status, but on a previous occasion, when he spent three months in Mexico City gathering information, President Wilson let it be known Mr. Hale was there as his personal friend. Hale transmitted reports, however, and took part in conferences with John Lind and Rear-Admiral Fletcher.

Little doubt exists in diplomatic circles that while Mr. Hale still retains the character of unofficial envoy, he is furnishing the Washington Government information for official purposes.

LIND SOUNDING HUERTA MEN
WITH TRUCE IN VIEW.

Mr. Hale will probably report on the personal characteristics of Gen. Carranza, whether he has the united support of all Constitutionalists or revolutionists, and whether, if successful by arms, he would establish a provisional government that would guarantee a fair and free election.

There is also a possibility that the information he gathers may be useful to the State Department in its exchanges with foreign diplomats here. The diplomatic corps in Mexico City is said to be at a disadvantage in making reports on the Constitutionalists, as its only source of information there is the Huerta Government.

There were no announcements here to-day as to future steps in the American policy. News of the arrival at Nogales of Mr. Hale gave rise to the suggestion that the Washington Government was waiting for more information about the Constitutionalists before proceeding.

It was learned to-day that John Lind, special envoy from the United States at Mexico City, is sounding out Huerta's lieutenants. He wants them to name candidates from whom a provisional president can be selected to succeed Huerta and who would be acceptable to the Carranza faction. If one can be agreed on then negotiations for a truce and for initiation of a plan leading up to a general constitutional election will be initiated.

Mexicans in this city who have the welfare of the country at heart and who are afflicted with no faction insisted to-day that the existing economic crisis is depressing both Huerta and Carranza. Bank failures in Mexico City are imminent. Already runs on the institutions there are in progress. And many of the banks have issued far more notes than they have gold reserves for in their vaults. Because of this they were hoping that Huerta would see his way clear to retire in favor of a provisional president who could have the support of Carranza and thus end the war.

Re-arranged: Clash on the battleship Louisiana at Tuxpan, reported by the Navy Department, today there was no indication of protection to American property in that vicinity. He has secured Consul Payne, that the Louisiana will afford asylum for Americans.

SLAYER SPENCER RAGES IN COURT, FLOORS LAWYER

Man Who Confessed Many
Murders Curses Judge and
Jury as His Trial Begins.

HELD BY DEPUTIES.

Women Flee From Room in
Fright During Running
Fire of Profanity.

WHEATON, Ill., Nov. 12.—Henry Spencer, "confessed" wholesale murderer, on trial here for the murder of Mrs. Mildred Allison-Nexvat, Chicago tango teacher, created a scene when court convened to-day by flooring his attorney, Anton Zenon of Chicago, with two heavy blows and shouting that he was "tired of this delay."

Sheriff Kahn and two deputies overpowered the prisoner and held him in his chair. "I don't need an attorney," shouted the opium fiend. "I can be my own attorney, and this gink is wasting too much time getting a jury. I'm Spencer, the murderer. I committed every crime you read about in the newspapers. I killed this tango teacher and drank some of her blood. Come on, let's get that jury and have it over with."

Held fast in his chair by the deputies, Spencer continued to hurl profane epithets at Judge Slusser, the jury and his attorney, until several women in the room fled.

"You've got as much brains as a sack of sawdust," he shouted at Judge Slusser. "You've got eleven jurors here. Now put a woman on as foreman and we'll get things started."

Zenon moved his chair several yards from that of his client after the attack and continued examination of witnesses. The twelfth juror was selected just before noon.

During a short recess, several witnesses, including Capt. Halpin of the Chicago detective department and Mrs. W. R. Patterson, whose tip led the police to arrest Spencer for the tango murder, entered the room. Spencer eyed Mrs. Patterson and hurled obscene oaths at her until she hurried from the room.

In his opening statement to the jury, State Attorney Hadley said the State expected to prove that the murder of Mrs. Allison-Nexvat was a cold-blooded, premeditated crime, and that he would ask the death penalty. He would have witnesses to prove that Spencer lured the tango instructor to Wayne, Ill., he said, and to prove that five minutes before Spencer shot Mrs. Nexvat and three hours before across the railroad tracks, as he was making love to her. When Hadley finished and sat down, Spencer whispered audibly:

"That's just that's right!"

Attorney Zenon began the opening statement for the defense this afternoon.

**SIX DIE IN FLAMES
AS DWELLING BURNS**

Man, Wife and Four Children
Trapped By Fire While
They Slept.

MACOMB, Ill., Nov. 12.—Douglas Lafferty, his wife, daughter and three grandchildren were burned to death in a fire which consumed their home at Browning, Schuyler County, early to-day.

MANY DROWNED, \$2,000,000 LOST BY BIG LAKE GALE

Missing Steamer Regina Believed to Have Crashed With
Mysterious Vessel.

MANY CRAFT WRECKED.

Liner and a Barge Added to the
List of Those Battered by
the Great Storm.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 12.—Although the seas are still rolling dangerously high on all the Great Lakes, most of the vessels held at various ports of shelter during the gale of the past four days to-day were preparing to resume their journeys. Nearly every vessel known to have been on the lakes during the blizzard to-day had been accounted for. Probably two score craft were wrecked but the crews of most of them were saved. Latest reports of the damage wrought by the storm indicated that the loss to shipping interests would total nearly \$2,000,000. Scores of seamen perished during the storm.

Although many vessels are firm in their belief that the steamer which turned turtle in Lake Huron a few miles northeast of Port Huron during the big gale is the ill-fated steamer Regina of the Merchants' Transportation Company of Toronto, others are equally convinced this forenoon that she is not.

**VESSELS CRASHED TOGETHER
THEORY OF SEAMEN.**

It is regarded certain, however, that the Regina went down during the storm. The difference of opinion concerning the identity of the overboarded vessel is due to the fact that the hull of the mysterious vessel is reported as being black and the Regina is said to have had a green bottom.

An official representing the owners of the Regina has visited the scene of the wreck and he does not believe that it is his vessel. A theory borne by many is that there was a collision between the unidentified vessel and the Regina, that the former went over immediately while the Regina's crew abandoned her and took to lifeboats. Those who adhere to this belief think that the wreck of the Regina will be found in another place.

The wreck of the Regina was confirmed yesterday when ten bodies were found strewn on the beach at the little Canadian fishing village of Port Frank, thirty miles northeast of Sarnia. A short distance up shore was found a lifeboat, lying on its side, containing two dead men. The lifeboat carried the name "Regina" and scattered along the beach were other wreckage and cargo identified as that of the Regina.

Shortly after the discovery of the victims of the Regina wreck, the wrecked and battered steamer Northern Queen was found stranded on the beach above Kettle Point. Her entire crew of twenty-two men, however, are safe at Port Frank.

**SEVEN MEN PERISH WHEN
BARGE GOES DOWN.**

MEMONING, Mich., Nov. 12.—The tug Martin, which reached this port at 3 A. M. after a twenty-four-hour battle with the storm which swept the Great Lakes, reported the loss with all on board of its consort, the barge Pyramouth. Seven men perished. Caught in a gale off St. Martin's Island, Lake Michigan, the towline between the tug and the barge parted. The barge was dashed against the tug and sank within ten minutes with all on board. Deputy United States Marshal Keenan of Menominee was among the lost.

GOBBELING, Ont., Nov. 12.—Trebucks found today on the shores of Lake Huron, near here, seem to indicate disaster to Canada's largest and largest grain boat, the James Carruthers, which was put in commission at the opening of navigation this season and was owned by the St. Lawrence and Chicago Navigation Company. She and a crew of twenty-two men and left Port William on the 8th, about the same time with the ill-fated Western. The wreckage which was found here includes lifeboats and parts of upper works of the James Carruthers.

There is also a life belt of the United States freighter Robin Hood and seven bodies bearing life-preservers.

Mayor-Elect John Purroy Mitchel and His Wife as They Sailed on Their Vacation Trip To-Day

(Specially Photographed for The Evening World by a Staff Photographer.)



MITCHEL SAILS TO TROPICS FOR REST HE NEEDS

Mayor-Elect, Tired Out, Will
Not Return to New York
Until Dec. 9.

Mayor-Elect John Purroy Mitchel, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Howard Conley of Boston, Mrs. Mitchel's sister, Miss Rosa Perkins, J. Walter Smith, chief engineer of the Water Supply Board, and Lamar Hardy, a lawyer, sailed for the tropics this afternoon on the United Fruit Company's steamship Zacaapa. The Mayor-elect will not return to New York until Dec. 9.

It had been Mr. Mitchel's intention to go direct to Panama and remain a week in the Canal Zone, returning to New York early next month. His plans were changed at the last minute. The Mitchel party will leave the Zacaapa next Monday at Kingston, Jamaica, and remain in Jamaica until the following Friday, when they will board the United Fruit steamship Tenadores, which is to sail from here on Saturday. The Tenadores is a larger ship than the Zacaapa.

From Jamaica, Mr. Mitchel and his party will go to Colon, Panama, where they will arrive on Sunday, Nov. 23. They will have two days in the Canal Zone and will then go aboard the Tenadores and steam up to Port Limon, where the ship will land and proceed to a better place in which to live, protecting the health, the lives and the limbs of our workers in their various employments, advancing our educational and economic institutions in efficiency for the general spread of learning and the dissemination of wise benevolence and the opening the door of opportunity to make more easily attainable the success and happiness for which the industrial strike is God-given.

The Mitchel party did not reach the United Fruit pier at the foot of Fulton street until 11:30 o'clock. Mayor-elect John Purroy Mitchel, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Mitchel, and their party, including Mrs. Mitchel's sister, Miss Rosa Perkins, J. Walter Smith, chief engineer of the Water Supply Board, and Lamar Hardy, a lawyer, were waiting at the foot of the gangplank. Mayor-elect Mitchel and his party were waiting at the foot of the gangplank. Mayor-elect Mitchel and his party were waiting at the foot of the gangplank.

State rooms No. 10 and No. 12, on the starboard side of the main deck, which were reserved for Mr. Mitchel and his wife, were literally jammed with flowers. There were many steamer baskets stacked about the companionway outside the staterooms, indicating that the friends of the Mitchels had not forgotten to provide them with the usual luxuries supposedly needed by sea voyagers.

Every inch of the cabin accommodations of the Zacaapa was engaged by tourists. In the excitement of departure, the Mayor-elect and his party did not attract much attention aboard. Close observation failed to uncover any politicians or job hunters who might have taken advantage of the opportunity to board the same boat as the Mayor-elect for twenty-seven days.

ARMED THUG PAYS FOR A MEAL WITH BULLET AND RUNS

With Companion Escapes
After Shooting Manager
of Restaurant.

When Harry Beckman, twenty-five years old, night manager of a restaurant at No. 362 Ninth avenue, asked two of his patrons for the price of their breakfasts this morning he was paid with a bullet.

About 6:30 A. M. two rough looking individuals entered the restaurant and ordered two 50-cent breakfasts. While they were eating their language was so vile that Beckman admonished them and requested them to lower their voices or else refrain from vulgarity. For a moment they obliged him. Then they broke loose again and for the second time Beckman remonstrated. An argument ensued, which continued until the two had finished their meal and were about to leave.

Beckman took his place at the cash register and asked them for the 50 cents. Whereupon one of them pulled out a revolver.

"There's the price of the breakfast," he said, as the bullet whizzed toward Beckman.

The lunchman caught it, not in the hand, but in the forearm, and instead of going into forty-eighth street he turned into West Forty-eighth street, turned the nearest corner and was lost to view.

Beckman ran from the restaurant in an effort to follow the man, but he took the wrong turn and instead of going into Forty-eighth street he turned into West Forty-eighth street and made for the police station, where he told the lieutenant of the assault upon him. A patrol car was sent to the Polytechnic Hospital and Beckman was recovered there. The doctors found the wound was slight and after dressing it went Beckman home.

GO TO AID HUNTER WHO KILLED A GUIDE

Relatives of Neal Cable Hasten to
Maine After Learning of
Accident.

James H. Fuertes, a wealthy hydraulic engineer, left his home in Flatbush at No. 44 East Seventeenth street this morning with his son-in-law, Robert H. Cable, for Schoodic Lake, in Piscataquis County, Maine, in response to two urgent telegrams received last night from Cable's brother, Neal, and C. P. Reynolds, a friend, telling how Neal had accidentally shot and killed a man.

Neither Mr. Fuertes nor Cable knew who was the victim. In the telegrams he was referred to only as Charles Dodge. Dispatches from the lake received after the men had left Brooklyn contained the information, however, that Dodge was a professional guide.

The telegram from Reynolds explained the shooting. It appeared that Nelson Cable, another brother, and Dodge were sitting at lunch around a camp fire when Neal approached, caught a glimpse of the top of Dodge's head and, mistaking it for a deer, fired. Dodge was killed instantly.

Mrs. Fuertes, who has been an invalid for some time, but yesterday was able for the first time in weeks to leave the house, was prostrated by the news and to-day was confined to her bed.

After McGuire's statement is completed he will be recalled to the witness stand, where he will have to repeat his story under oath. He has already given District Attorney Whitman some information which sent Assistant District Attorney Clark upstate late last night. Mr. Clark will be back when the John Doe hearing is resumed to-morrow with evidence of an important nature.

BURGARD GIVES NEW 'CLUES' TO MR. WHITMAN.
It has been decided not to call Henry P. Burgard of Erie County, who held a long conference with District Attorney Whitman yesterday. Burgard is a foe of Murphy and Tammany Hall and a one of the "slandered" contractors. He gave Mr. Whitman a lot of valuable information which is not available as testimony because it is hearsay, but which gives the prosecutor something to work on.

Mr. Burgard is understood to have heard many "slandered" conversations between contractors, and the information he furnished will lead to the calling of many witnesses.

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FULL STORY OF GRAFT IN ROADS AND CANAL REVEALED BY M'GUIRE

Hennessy Informant, in State of
Physical and Mental Collapse, Pre-
pares Statement for Whitman
Under Direction of Attorney.

BOTH PARTIES SHARED
IN CONTRACTOR'S GIFTS

Contributors Reimbursed by State
Through 'Extras'—Watch McGuire
Since Attempted Suicide Story.

Under the direction of his counsel, Henry A. Wine, George H. McGuire of Syracuse is preparing to-day a complete statement of what he knows about how the highways and barge canal contractors up-State were bled for campaign contributions by the Democratic and Republican organizations. A particular feature of the knowledge of McGuire which District Attorney Whitman is anxious to bring out is the reported plot by which certain contractors who made big contributions were reimbursed by the allowance of "extras" on their jobs.

John A. Hennessy, on the witness stand at the opening session of Chief Magistrate McAdams' John Doe inquiry, said that the political organizations, through the State departments having charge of the highways and the canals, used a plan which, in effect, made the State put up the campaign funds of the State committee of the Republican and Democratic organizations. He said he understood that all contractors were assessed about 10 per cent. of the amount of their contracts.

Later on certain contractors were allowed 10 per cent. extra for additional work on claims filed with the State Engineer's office. Hennessy said he got his information on this point from McGuire.

**M'GUIRE IS KEPT UNDER A
CLOSE WATCH.**

McGuire had not recovered to-day from the physical and mental collapse he suffered on the witness stand yesterday, but he appeared to realize that he was trapped and wanted to get a complete statement off his mind. His remarks are so acute that he is watched continually. The District Attorney having been informed that he tried to commit suicide yesterday by jumping from a window of the Hotel Belmont.

McGuire who is a brother of James K. McGuire, former Mayor of Syracuse, but now a resident of New Rochelle, has been exposed as a man who was organically working with the Democratic organization of the State but was secretly conspiring with William Sulzer to overthrow William Kelly, the organization leader in Onondaga County. James K. McGuire is very close to Tammany Hall and is also close to the Wilson administration.

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